

**OPEN BOARD MINUTES**  
**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**  
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A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners was held on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center, Trenton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by President Stewart Berkowitz, M.D.

**PRESENT**

Board Members Angrist, Stewart Berkowitz, Cheema, Criss, DeGregorio, DeLuca, Kubiel, Maffei, Metzger, McGrath, Miksad, Miller, Parikh, Rao, Rock, Scott and Shah.

**EXCUSED**

Board Members Steven Berkowitz and Lopez.

**ALSO PRESENT**

Sharon Joyce, Assistant Attorney General; Senior Deputy Attorneys General Dick, Flanzman, and Deputy Attorney Hafner; William V. Roeder, Executive Director of the Medical Board, Sindy Paul, M.D., Medical Director; Dr. Harry Lessig, Consultant Medical Director.

**STATEMENT CONCERNING THE**  
**ANNUAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The requirements of the “Open Public Meetings Act” were satisfied by notice of this meeting given in the annual notice

adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners on September 10, 2014 which was transmitted to the ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, STAR LEDGER, CAMDEN COURIER POST, ASBURY PARK PRESS, BERGEN RECORD and the TRENTON TIMES, all on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 2014.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

## **MINUTES**

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 7, 2015 OPEN BOARD MINUTES.

The Motion was made by Dr. Cheema and seconded by Dr. Scott. It carried unanimously.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 18, 2014 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

ADVISORY COMMITTEE OPEN MINUTES.

The Motion was made by Dr. Cheema and  
seconded by Ms. Kubiel. It carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **LEGISLATION**

**A 4094    Seeks to permit administration of epinephrine auto-injector device by persons who complete approved educational program.**

Ms. Miller recused from discussion and vote in the matter and pushed away from the table.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BILL SO LONG AS THE PURPOSE IS TO EXPAND THE CLASS OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY ADMINISTER THE EpiPen IN AN EMERGENT SITUATION. THE BOARD DID QUESTION HOW A PRESCRIPTION WOULD BE ISSUED

TO AN ENTITY.

The Motion, which carried unanimously, was made by Dr. Shah and seconded by Dr. Rao.

**S2715      Seeks to establish “Hazardous Drug Safe Handling Act,” requires DOLWD to promulgate standards and regulations concerning safe handling of hazardous drugs by health care personnel.**

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO SUPPORT THE LEGISLATION.

The Motion, made by Dr. Rao and seconded by Dr. Cheema, carried unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Nothing Scheduled.**

## **INFORMATIONAL**

AAG Joyce provided an update on the following two topics.

## **RENEWAL APPLICATIONS**

As the Board was aware, licensees will shortly receive information concerning the upcoming renewal of licensure for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. She explained that she has been working with a number of interested parties to help revise the renewal applications to address concerns, in particular about the Work Force Survey questions. Some of the anticipated changes included questions about specialties (primary and secondary), the elimination of the financial question as the information is available through a federal database, and a question about enrollment in the Prescription Monitoring Program.

## **SETON HALL UNIVERSITY**

She also informed the Board that Seton Hall that Seton Hall and Hackensack University Health Network are partnering to form a four-year private allopathic medical school in New Jersey, which will be administratively established within Seton Hall. She anticipated that an application for preliminary approval would be forthcoming. This approval is required by Statute as well as to initiate the process with LCME.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED,  
VOTED TO REFER THE MATTER TO THE EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**